Shades State Park

Friday, August 4

4-6pm The Roving Naturalist — Look for the naturalist walking through the campground to discover what is in her nature bucket!

7pm Bubbles in Nature— Come to the amphitheater for a 1-hour program about bubbles found in nature, and see how to make gigantic bubbles yourself!

Join us at Turkey Run for Festival of Birds!

Saturday, August 5

OPEN 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EDT

7am Bird Hike – Calling all early birds to the Nature Center front porch for this easy 1-hour hike with Indiana renowned birder Alan Bruner. Don't miss this opportunity to spend time in the field with a pro!

9:30am Bird Banquet – Be at the Nature Center to lay out a real banquet for the birds, then watch through the viewing window as they enjoy your offerings. 30-minute activity.

10am Planetarium – Enjoy a 40-minute tour of this evening's stars in the Nature Center Planetarium. *Reservations recommended.* Must be seated by 10am.

11am Lusk Home & Garden Tour — Meet in the basement of this 1841 brick mansion for a 1-hour guided tour. Cellar doors open at 10:45am to give you time to enjoy the cellar exhibits.

11am How To Know Birds By Their Songs – Come to the Nature Center to discover how to recognize, by their voices, several birds you may hear around the park. 40-minute program.

12-4pm Bird Bonanza — Flock behind the Nature Center to have some fun, bird style! Get banded, make some crafts, win prizes, & discover intriguing facts about our feathered friends. A \$1/person fee will help cover materials.

7:30pm Birds of Prey – Bring blankets and chairs to the Inn lawn to meet raptor expert Mark Booth and his LIVE hawks and owls!!! 1-hour program.

Sunday, August 6

7:30-9am Feel a Fur – Join the naturalist at the campground bathhouse to feel the warmth and incredible softness of fur on your hand.

Friday, August 11

4-6pm The Roving Naturalist – Find the naturalist walking through the campground to see & touch some really cool nature stuff!

8:30pm Twilight Hike— Come on an easy 1-hour hike on Trail 10 with the naturalist and open up your senses as the sun goes down! Meet at the Dell Shelter.

Saturday, August 12

4-6pm The Roving Naturalist — Look for the naturalist walking on the trails to discover what is in her nature bucket!

8:30-9:30pm Shooting Stars & Stargazing—Meet at the Dell Shelter with your blanket or chair to enjoy the amazing beauty of the Perseid Meteor Shower. Weather permitting. 1-hour program.

Programs are designed to entertain & enrich folks of all ages. An adult must accompany children under 14.

Sunday, August 13

7:30-9am *Giant Bubble Makers* – Stop by the campground bathhouse to create a bubble maker that will amaze your neighbors!

Come to Turkey Run S.P. & see how to Leave No Trace!

Saturday, August 19

7:30pm Leave No Trace – Come to the Turkey Run Nature Center for a program by Leave No Trace Master Educator, Bill Houk. This entertaining program introduces the Seven Principals of the Leave No Trace outdoor ethic. Leave No Trace from your backyard to your backcountry. 1 hour.

Saturday, August 26

7:30-9am Skins & **Skulls** – Stop by the campground bathhouse to see if you can identify some furs and skulls. Please touch!

Saturday, September 2

7:30-9am Feel A Fur – Let your fingers discover the differences between fur of varying habitats.

Archaeology Day at Turkey Run State Park

Sunday, September 3

OPEN 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EDT

9:30am Bird Banquet – Meet at the Nature Center to help us feed these descendants of the dinosaurs!

10am-4pm Caveman Capers — Gather in front of the nature center to experience the life of pre-historic man. Dust off those point and arrowhead collections — state archaeologists will be on hand to identify them for you. Learn spear throwing with an atlatl, discover the language of petroglyphs through face painting, take part in a mock dig, learn fire starting, basket making and flint knapping, and much, much more.

7:30pm Bodies, Fur & **Skin** — Only man can survive no matter what his environment. Discover how other mammals are designed to fit their lifestyles during this 40-minute program. Gather on the lawn near the Campground bathhouse.

Park Patch Program Ask the Naturalist how you can earn these patches!

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